

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 373

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION to recognize and commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of Greeneville Town Hall.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly take pleasure in recognizing those civic entities that serve as pillars of their communities, improving their lives of their citizens in sundry capacities; and

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2017, a special event will be held to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of Greeneville Town Hall; the event will be open to the public and feature many speakers and performers; and

WHEREAS, among the esteemed speakers who will address the crowd at the town hall's cornerstone are Mayor W.T. Daniels, historians Wilhelmina Williams and Tim Massey, and William Smelcer, who engraved the cornerstone as shop foreman for Remine Monument Company; and

WHEREAS, Greeneville Town Hall's original cornerstone ceremony was held on June 9, 1967, and featured remarks from the now-late congressman James H. Quillen and a performance by the Greeneville High School Marching Band; this year's celebration will feature the marching band, as well, and copies of the program from the 1967 ceremony will be provided to all in attendance; and

WHEREAS, Greeneville Town Hall was designed by architects Honeycutt & Boyd and erected by Bob Smith Construction Company; the city borrowed \$585,000 to pay for construction of the building; and

WHEREAS, the original design of the imposing brick edifice included a courtroom, which has been remodeled into office space, and a jail, which has been repurposed for use by the police department; and

WHEREAS, Greeneville Town Hall currently houses a board room and the offices of the mayor, city administrator, recorder/finance department, police department, human resources, public relations, environmentalist, engineer and public works director, city planner, building official, and fire marshal; and

WHEREAS, for half a century, Greeneville Town Hall has housed officials and departments vital to the success of Greeneville, and it is fitting that we join with Greeneville's citizens in celebrating this momentous occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize and commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of Greeneville Town Hall, extending our sincere best wishes to the citizens of Greeneville for much success and happiness in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.